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SUBJECT: SIGNING OF GEOTHERMAL AGREEMENT WITH ITALY

1. EMBASSY HAS RECENTLY LEARNED THAT THE NATIONAL ELECTRICITY AGENCY ENEL EXPECTS THAT THE RECENTLY NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF GEOTHERMAL ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, NEGOTIATED WITH THE US ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (ERDA) WILL BE SIGNED CONCURRENTLY WITH THE VISIT OF PRESIDENT FORD, AND HAS REARRANGED THE SCHEDULE OF ENEL PRESIDENT ANGELINI TO PERMIT HIM TO BE IN ROME FOR THE SIGNING. ENEL UNDERSTANDS THAT IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE FOR EITHER THE PRESIDENT OR THE SECRETARY TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT.

2. IF ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE WORKED OUT WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT DURING THE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT. IT WOULD SERVE TO UNDERLINE ENERGY COOPERATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BETWEEN ITALY AND THE UNITED STATES - ONE OF THE SUBJECTS

## FOR PRESIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS.

3. WE RECOMMEND THAT AN ERDA REPRESENTATIVE BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON JUNE 3 IN CEREMONY APART FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT PROPER BUT BENEFITING FROM THE OVERALL ATMOSPHERICS.

4. PLEASE ADVISE.VOLPE

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